

PATENT CLAIMS

1. A unit carrier (1) for a motor vehicle door with at least one fastening section for a door lock (3) and fixing points for securing the unit carrier to a motor vehicle door, wherein the door lock can be connected to the unit carrier by means of a lock holding angle (4, 4', 4''), characterised in that a snap-in connection is provided between the lock holding angle (4, 4', 4'') and the unit carrier (1) so that the lock holding angle (4, 4', 4'') can be secured to the unit carrier (1) by means of a catch mechanism.
2. The unit carrier according to Claim 1, characterised in that the snap-in connection between the lock holding angle (4, 4', 4'') and the unit carrier (1) is designed as a detachable clip connection.
3. The unit carrier according to Claim 1 or 2, characterised in that the snap-in connection is formed from at least one snap-in element formed on the lock holding angle (4, 4', 4'') and a snap-in retainer formed on the unit carrier (1) and aligned with the snap-in element.
4. The unit carrier according to Claim 1 or 2, characterised in that the snap-in connection is formed from a snap-in element formed on the unit carrier (1) and a snap-in retainer formed on the lock holding angle (4, 4', 4'') and aligned with the snap-in element.
5. The unit carrier according to any one of Claims 1 to 3, characterised in that the snap-in connection is formed by at least one insert opening (6, 7, 8, 9; 6', 7') formed in the unit carrier (1) and at least one plug-in element (1, 11; 10', 11'; 10'') that is

formed on the lock holding angle (4, 4', 4'') and can be locked in the insert opening.

6. The unit carrier according to any one of Claims 1 to 3, characterised in that the snap-in connection is formed by a plurality of insert openings (6, 7, 8, 9) formed in the unit carrier (1) and a plurality of plug-in elements (1, 11; 10', 11') that are formed on the lock holding angle (4, 4') and can be locked in the insert openings.
7. The unit carrier according to Claim 6, characterised in that the lock holding angle (4, 4') is of fork-shaped design, wherein a fork-shaped end of the lock holding angle is formed by the plug-in elements (10, 11; 10', 11').
8. The unit carrier according to any one of Claims 1 to 7, characterised in that it has a plurality of ribs (12, 13; 12', 13') spaced a certain distance apart, in which insert openings (6, 7, 8, 9; 6', 7') are contained for at least one plug-in element (10, 11; 10', 11'; 10'', 11'') formed on the lock holding angle (4, 4').
9. The unit carrier according to any one of Claims 5 to 8, characterised in that at least one snap-in projection (14, 15; 14', 15'; 14'') that can be deflected by spring elasticity is formed on the at least one plug-in element (10, 11; 10', 11', 10'').
10. The unit carrier according to Claim 9, characterised in that the plug-in element (10, 11) is of a catwalk-shaped design, wherein the snap-in projection (14, 15) has a pressure face (16) that is inclined in the direction of insertion and runs obliquely to the catwalk-shaped outer surface of the plug-in element (10, 11), and a stop surface (17)

that runs essentially perpendicularly to the catwalk-shaped outer surface of the plug-in element.

11. The unit carrier according to Claim 9, characterised in that the plug-in element (10', 11') is of a catwalk-shaped design, wherein the snap-in projection (14') has a pressure face (16') that is inclined in the direction of insertion and runs obliquely to the catwalk-shaped outer surface of the plug-in element, and a stop face (17') that runs obliquely to the catwalk-shaped outer surface of the plug-in element, wherein the stop face (17') has a greater inclination to the catwalk-shaped outer surface of the plug-in element than the pressure face (16') and is inclined so that it is opposed to the direction of insertion.
12. The unit carrier according to any one of Claims 1 to 11, characterised in that the lock holding angle (4, 4') is rigidly connected to the door lock (3).
13. The unit carrier according to any one of Claims 1 to 12, characterised in that the lock holding angle (4, 4', 4'') is designed integrally with a cover (5) that can be connected to, in particular locked to the door lock (3).
14. The unit carrier according to any one of Claims 1 to 12, characterised in that the lock holding angle (4, 4', 4'') is designed integrally with a housing of the door lock (3).
15. The unit carrier according to any one of Claims 1 to 14, characterised in that it consists at least partially of plastic manufactured in the injection moulding-foaming process.